IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE: APPLICATION OF: JIM S. HOGAN

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GROUP ART UNIT: NOT ASSIGNED

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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER RULE 102 (c)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Attorney Docket No.: 1949-00700

Dear Sir:

This is a petition to make special the above-identified patent application. The basis for this petition is that the applicant is over 65 years old.

In accordance with MPEP 708.02, a declaration of applicant is attached.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests that this petition to make special be granted and that the examination of the application be advanced.

Respectfully submitted,

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